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In re Application of: J. Bertrand et al. Group Art Unit: 3762  
Application No.: 09/745,108 Examiner: J. Thissell  
Filing Date: December 20, 2000 Due Date:  
For: Tool For Adjusting An Implantable Adjustable Fluid Flow Control Valve

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Introductory Comments**

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as indicated on the attached pages.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.